of character and antecedents was also carried cut by the authorities. The question of taking action against any specific officer, therefore, does not arise.

Opening of new colleges by Delhi University

1970. SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Delhi University had decided not to open any new colleges offering conventional courses in liberal arts, as it was in favour of establishing new colleges which fulfilled the growing need for job-oriented and professional courses, if so, what is the number of new colleges opened in 1987-88;

(b) what is the intake capacity of Delhi University colleges and what is the approximate figure of candidates who passed the qualifying examination from schools in Delhi in 1988 and were eligible for admission in various undergraduate courses in the current academic session; and

(c) whether it is a fact that Government propose to open new colleges in Delhi, if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L.P. SHAHI) : (a) The University of Delhi has not taken any such decision.

(b) According to the information furnished by the University, the intake capacity of the Colleges/ institutions affiliated to the University, including the School of Corespondence Courses and the Non-Collegiate Women's Education Board, was 52,152 during the academic session, 1988-89, and the total number of candidates from Schools in Delhi eligible for admission to first degree courses was 51,524.

(c) Delhi Administration proposes to open a College for Applied Sciences for Women in Trans-Yamuna Area.

Threat from extremists for sabotage activities in Pakistan

1971. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the recently reported threat given by Sikh extremists to carry out sabotage activities in Pakistan if the Pak Government fails to support their demand for creation of so-called Khalistan; and

(b) if so, what is Government's information about the Pak Government's response thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government have no authoritative information in this respect.

Shortcomings of Anti-Dowry Laws

1972. SHRI M. VINCENT:
SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the Anti-Dowry Laws as at present are not effective or otherwise it has too many shortcomings; and